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EDWARD ROWZIE.

I, Edward Rowzie, sick, appoint wife Mary sole executrix. To son Edward Rowzie 400 acres at the head of Occupacia, when he comes of age. To my son Lodowick Rowzie and son John Rowzie, the land I now live on when they come of age. To my daughters, Sarah and Elizabeth Rowzie, 1,000 acres in the freshes of Rappahannock on the south side, when of age or married. To daughter, Sarah, a black mare. To daughter, Elizabeth, a mare foal. To wife, Mary, a horse. Personal estate to be appraised within four months after my decease, the mares and horses only excepted, as aforesaid, and to be appraised in money sterling, and after debts and funeral expenses are paid to be divided between wife and children. Dated Dec. 26, 1677.

EDWARD ROWZIE.

Robert Pley,
George Bruce.

Proved Jan. 6, 1677.

REV. FRANCIS DOUGHTY.

(Rappahannock County Records.)

To the Wors'p^l her Ma^{ties} Justices for the County of Rappa. The Humble peticon of John Catlett & Humphrey Booth Sheweth, That Whereas yo^r pet^{rs} by Letters bearing date the 15th of Apr^l, 1668, did make their humble addresse to our Hon^{ble} Gov^r, S^r Wm. Berkeley, shewing that Mr. Francis Doughty, uppon our desire of Communicating in the Blessed Ordinance of the L^ds Supper, did, wth out any reason given to us [Besides that his conscience would not Suffer him Soe to do], advocate and Suspend us from p^ticipating in that holy Sacra^{mt}, to the great Scandall of yo^r pet^{rs}; and Further wee, yo^r pet^{rs}, informed his Hon^r of the s^d Doughtie's non-conformity & Scandalous liveing, uppon which our comp^{ts} the Hon^{ble} Gov^r & Counsell have ordered in case our comp^{ts} bee grounded upon truth, that then his worship^l Cor^t bee empowered to putt out of the s^d Doughty from

being any longer Minis^r in the p^rish of Sittingborne. All w^{ch} compl^ts wee are ready to prove, & not onely those before mentioned, But likewise that hee, the s^d Doughty, did in the p^rnce of this wors^pⁿ Cort. impeach the Supremacy of his sacred Ma^y, the which & much more (contrary to the Knowne Canons of the church of Engl^d), wee are heer Ready to make appeare.

The p^rmisses considered, yo^r Pet^r Humbly crave that this wor^pⁿ Cort. would p^rceed according to ord^r of our hon^{ble} Gov^r & Councell, & yo^r pet^r shall pray, &c., and also that the s^d Doughty may bee ordered to pay costs & Suite, &c.

Recordat 1668. R. P., Cl.

DEED OF GIFT BY DOUGHTY.

To all Christian people to whom these shall come, greeting in our L^d God Everlasting, know yee that I, Frances Doughty, for and in consid. of the good will, affeccion and love that I beare unto my well Beloved wife Anne Doughty, and in consid. that I the s^d Francis am shortly intended, God willing, to Transport myself out of the Colony of Virginia into some other country and clymate that may prove more favorable to my aged, infirm & decayed Body than the s^d Country of Virginia wherein I now Reside, Doste and for that my wife the s^d Anne is unwilling to Depart the s^d country, shee finding the same Best agreeing with her health. Besides her loathness and unwillingness to Bid Farewell to her more Deare & Beloved children, and to her Beloved kindred & Relacons, all or least most of them Residing in the s^d Colony of Virginia and in the Neighboring provinces of Maryl^d, as also for Divine good causes & consid. mee at this pr^sent Especially moving, I Have given granted & confirme and by this present Doe fully give, Graunt & confirme unto Richard Boughton of Charles county in the Province of May^{ld} & his ass^s all that p^rcell or quantity of Land Cont: two hundred acres, lying upon Rappa. River in the s^d Colony of Virginia, and adjoining to the Land of Capt. Alexdr. Fleming, late dec^d, and Butted and Bounded according to a certificate of survey made thereat By Col. Catlett, upon Record, together wth all Houses, Edifices, Buildings, Hereditam^{ts} & appurt.

w't'soever, to the s^d Land and premises, or to any p't or p'cell thereof Belonging or in any wise appurtenying * * * *
 I, the said Francis, have hereunto set my hand and seale this 13th day of March, 1668-9.

NOTE.—Rev. Francis Doughty first resided in Massachusetts, and afterwards fled from religious persecution to New York, where he was welcomed by Governor Kieft and advances were made to him in goods and money. In 1642 a grant was made to him and his associates of a large tract of land at Mepsat (now Newtown), Long Island, with a right of limited jurisdiction in civil and criminal matters, and, as the grant states, "with power to erect a church, and to exercise the Reformed Christian religion which they profess." In 1643 the colonists at Mepsat were attacked by the Indians, driven from their plantation with loss of life, and their houses burned. Upon this, Francis Doughty came to New Amsterdam, and officiated as clergyman to the English inhabitants. After the Indian war, his land at Mepsat, except his "bouwery," was confiscated, at the instance of some of his associates, who considered that he had ignored their co-proprietary rights. He thereafter settled at Flushing, and was so open in his animadversions upon Governor Kieft that Captain John Underhill ordered his church doors to be shut. Finally, he removed to the Eastern Shore of Virginia, leaving behind his daughter, who was married to Adrian Van der Douck. In 1656 he was a minister in Northampton county. Not long after he became minister of Sittingbourne Parish, Rappahannock county. He was a brother-in-law of Governor Stone, of Maryland, and had a sister, Elizabeth, who married, in Massachusetts, William Cole. In June, 1657, Mr. Doughty married, secondly, Annie Eaton, widow, of Northampton county.

LETTERS TO THOMAS ADAMS.

The letters of Richard Adams, published in the Magazine, are from the Manuscript Collections of the Virginia Historical Society. For an account of the Adams Family, see Vol. IV, page 448.

Virg^a W^mburg, 5th Nov', 1771.

D^r Bro:

I have wrote you several letters lately that I have little now to add. Our Worthy Old President Blair made his exit this morning ab' 11 o'Clocke, w^{ch} was happy for him & Family as he